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BRANCH LINES

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Welcome New Member - Juanita Garcia

We are pleased to welcome new member Juanita Garcia. Juanita is a graduate of San Jose State University with a degree in Journalism. She has had a distinguished 20+ year career with Aerojet, beginning in communications and eventually becoming the Executive Director of the GenCorp Foundation. Her background in philanthropy and communications, as well as her interests in recreational activities such as reading, crafts and sports bring an appreciated addition to the Branch.



Born in St. Louis, MO, Juanita grew up in the San Francisco Bay Area and is now a resident of Loomis. She is a member of the Loomis Library Board and the Placer Community Foundation’s Grants Committee. Welcome, Juanita!

Welcome New Member - Maureen Burke

We are pleased to welcome a new member, Maureen Burke. Maureen is a graduate of Boston College with a BS in Nursing, and the University of Pennsylvania with an MS in Nursing. She began her career as a United States Navy nurse. After the Navy, she went to Stanford University Hospital where her 48-year career included nursing, hospital administration, and project management.

A native of Massachusetts, Maureen moved to the Bay Area in 1975. She is now a resident of Lincoln. Her personal interests include history, traveling, hiking, concerts and exploring restaurants, all of which are a great addition to our Branch. Welcome Maureen!

Chance for a Free Membership



Come join us at our monthly AAUW meetings or AAUW happy hour events and bring along your friends and neighbors! If they decide to join on the spot, they'll receive a 50% discount on national dues, and we'll be eligible for a free membership as well.

Additionally, if you referred a new member during one of our events, your name will be entered into a drawing for a chance to win a free membership for yourself next year.

For every two new members who sign up and pay their dues on the spot at our events, we'll earn one free membership.

Exciting news! If we manage to bring in six new members who will take advantage of the 50% off national dues offer, the national organization will generously grant us three free memberships. Let's work together to grow our community and enjoy the benefits of AAUW membership!

Reminder

Panel discussion and video -- Come and meet our Tech Trek recipients and find out what it was like at STEM camp at UC Davis.

September Kick-Off Meeting

Date: Saturday, September 16

Time: 10:00am to Noon

Location: Maidu Center

1550 Maidu Dr. Roseville

Light refreshments served.

If you are interested or plan to attend register on our website

<https://www.aauwrosevillesouthplacer.org/events>

AAUW Happy Hour Event!

Date: Friday, September 29

Time: 4:00pm to 6:00pm

Location: Citizen Vine

845 12 Bridges Dr. Lincoln

Wine \$8/glass, appetizers provided

If you are interested or plan to attend register on our website

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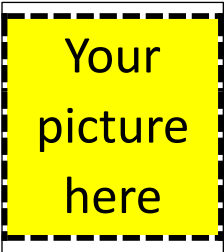
Bring your friends - new members get 50% off National dues if they join at these events.

Grant/Fund Raising Planning Meeting

We're thrilled to announce an upcoming "white board" brainstorming session dedicated to devising a comprehensive strategy for obtaining grants and orchestrating fundraising initiatives for our branch. We're fully aware that our group possesses a wealth of innovative ideas and valuable resources, and we're eager to engage with you on this endeavor. The session is scheduled for later in September.

Having successfully tackled grant proposals in the past, we recognize the availability of funds, and our goal is to tap into these resources effectively. Our intention is to establish a dedicated Grant and Fundraising team that will propel our branch towards a successful future. The landscape transformed significantly due to the impact of COVID, making it imperative for us to secure a consistent income stream that supports our branch's activities.

But most importantly, we want to hear from YOU! Your insights and participation are invaluable to us. Feel free to reach out to us at aauwrosevillesouthplacer@gmail.com with your thoughts, grant proposals, fundraising concepts, or if you're interested in being part of this crucial new group that's poised to make a real difference in our branch's direction.



Coming soon...an updated handbook directory that includes member photos. At the upcoming meeting we will be hosting a photoshoot to get pictures of members, or you can provide your own headshot, so you are not left out. Email your "JPG pic" to Dotti May: aauwrosevillesouthplacer@gmail.com.

Be ready for your picture at our Sept 16th meeting.

Check out our refreshed AAUW website:

[Home | AAUW-RSP Branch Site \(aauwrosevillesouthplacer.org\)](http://Home | AAUW-RSP Branch Site (aauwrosevillesouthplacer.org))

Year-End Finances for 2022-2023

Kathy Novotny – VP Finance

Income	
Interest	\$5
Dues	\$7,624
Fundraising (Grants/raffle)	\$16,555
Programs	<u>\$6,189</u>
Total Revenue	\$30,373
Expenditures	
CA Funds Assessment	\$617
Administrative (PO Box/square/storage)	\$1,050
Communications (Handbook/website/zoom)	\$1,001
Finance (Dues to national/QuickBooks/taxes)	\$5,656
Membership	\$123
Outreach	\$22
Philanthropy (Scholarships)	\$25,791
Programs	<u>\$13,513</u>
Total Expenditures	\$47,774
Spent from Revenue	\$17,401

October - CA's Legislative Agenda – Supporting Women and Children

Kathy Kort – VP Programs



We are excited to showcase Kathy Van Osten, the AAUW CA Legislative Advocate, in our upcoming event. Kathy is a valued partner at MVM Strategy and has diligently represented AAUW CA in the Legislature since 2020. During the event, she will provide us with a comprehensive update on the outcomes of the current CA Legislative session, scheduled to conclude on September 30. Kathy will highlight the bills from our organization that successfully navigated the legislative process, shedding light on those that received approval from the legislature and were subsequently signed by the governor. Furthermore, she will delve into the potential implications of budget cuts on vital services that hold significance for us, such as childcare funding. Her insights will undoubtedly enhance our understanding of the legislative landscape and its impact on our community.

Date: Saturday, October 21
 Time: 10:00am to Noon
 Location: Lincoln Library
 485 Twelve Bridges Dr, Lincoln,
 Light refreshments served.

Current Interest Group Activities

Group Name	Leader	Meeting Day	Time
GREAT DECISIONS GROUP Raley's Event Center, 1915 Douglas Blvd, Roseville Topic: "Climate Migration" presented by Lynn Cook and Joyce Kirk Elsie: aauwrosevillesouthplacer@gmail.com	Elsie Gaura	2 nd Friday of each month - Sept 8	10:00am
WEDNESDAY MORNING BOOK GROUP <u>Zoom meeting</u> - turn on your computer, I Pod, Kindle Fire, or smartphone! Book/Author: for September is <i>The Beekeeper of Aleppo</i> by Christy Lefferty Nancy: aauwrosevillesouthplacer@gmail.com	Nancy Taylor	3 rd Wednesday of each month - Sept 20	New time 10:00am
WEDNESDAY EVENING BOOK GROUP Host: Jane Watkins, Book/Author: <i>Violeta</i> by Isabel Allende Jane: aauwrosevillesouthplacer@gmail.com	Jane Watkins	Wednesday – Sept 6	6:30pm
MAH JONGG GROUP Joyce: aauwrosevillesouthplacer@gmail.com	Joyce Wade	1 st & 3 rd Thursdays of each month Sept 7 & 21	1:00pm
CHICAGO/DUPLICATE BRIDGE GROUP Leslie: aauwrosevillesouthplacer@gmail.com	Leslie McNeill	2 nd Wednesday of each month – Sept 13	1:00pm

<p>WINE GROUP - For information about the next planned event call Joan aauwrosevillesouthplacer@gmail.com</p>	<p>Joan Donlon</p>		
<p>CASUAL GARDENERS GROUP Please RSVP either to Charlotte or Diane by Monday the 4th of September. Diane - aauwrosevillesouthplacer@gmail.com</p>	<p>Diane Madden</p>	<p>1st Wednesday of each month – Sept 6 VENETO GARDENS - tomato grower 9101 ROCK SPRINGS RD NEWCASTLE 95658</p>	<p>10:30am</p>

Current Neighborhood Group Activities

<p>Lincoln Neighborhood Group - September 23: We’re set to attend a matinee of “Fiddler on the Roof” by the Lincoln Community Theater, preceded by lunch at a member’s home! Tickets are all taken- thanks to those who RSVPed. Lincoln – Lora Finnegan aauwrosevillesouthplacer@gmail.com</p>
<p>Roseville Neighborhood Group - will meet Monday, September 18 from 2:00-4:00pm, in the home of Sandy Haley, 5517 Lantern Grove Lane in SCR. We will be playing Rummikub. It’s easy to learn, fun to play, and good brain exercise. If you have a set, please, bring it. All Branch members are welcome even if you’re not in the Roseville Neighborhood Group. Also welcome are guests who are considering joining Roseville South Placer Branch Sandy Haley aauwrosevillesouthplacer@gmail.com</p>
<p>Rocklin/Springfield – Pending contact for this group</p>

Sierra College Scholarship Recipients

Betty Manning – SCS Chair



Sierra College organizes a remarkable scholarship award ceremony, where the college President addresses the students. The event is designed to make it a special occasion for the recipients. The delightful awards ceremony is followed by an outdoor gathering where students get the opportunity to connect with the individuals behind their scholarships.

Xuan Zhang, Pat Tolleson, Samar Crook & Lin Chavez; with their children

Thank You Letters from Sierra College Scholarship Recipients below:

-- Lin Chavez

Dear AAUW Roseville - South Placer Branch Scholarship Donors

I want to express my heartfelt gratitude for selecting me as the recipient of the AAUW Roseville South Placer Branch Scholarship. I am truly honored and grateful for your generous support. As a re-entry woman studying English at Sierra College, this scholarship holds immense significance for me. It provides essential financial assistance and serves as a validation of my efforts, motivating me to pursue my educational goals.

I currently work 20 hours a week as an ESL (English as a Second Language) tutor at the Sierra College Tutor Center. This experience has been rewarding, allowing me to support fellow ESL learners and share my own learning journey. With this scholarship, I will have more time to focus on my studies and make a greater impact as a tutor.

Obtaining an AA Degree is my immediate goal, and I am fully committed to excelling in my studies. This scholarship brings me closer to my long-term aspiration of earning a BA Degree and pursuing a career in ESL education. I assure you that your investment in my education will not go to waste.

Once again, I want to express my deepest gratitude for your belief in me and for this incredible opportunity. Your support has not only relieved my financial burden but also inspired me to strive for excellence and contribute positively to the field of ESL education.

Thank you for your kindness, encouragement, and investment in my education. I am determined to make the most of this opportunity and to succeed in my academic endeavors.

-- Xuan Zhang

Dear AAUW Scholarship Committee

It is a great honor to receive your generous AAUW scholarship that will help fund the expenses of my education at Sierra College. I am most grateful for your belief and support, and I would like to thank you for choosing me.

I am a woman student, a student worker, and a single mom at the same time. Although I was once uncertain about what my future would hold, luckily, I made the decision to return to school. I encountered excellent professors who encouraged me to become a tutor and I began working as a student worker. In this way, I met those awesome people at the Tutor Center, who constantly showed love, care, and support. They encourage me not to give up on my academic pursuits. It is due to my efforts that I have had the privilege of receiving your AAUW Roseville – South Placer Branch Scholarship. This opportunity has allowed me to know that there are kind and generous women like you in this world, who continuously support and encourage those of us striving to progress. I will keep your philosophy in my heart and when I have the ability in the future, I will pass on this kindness to sisters in need.

In the past year, I have been working hard towards my goals and in the coming year, I will do my utmost to complete my early childhood education program and obtain my certification, so that I can start working with children. Additionally, I will continue my role as an office assistant at Sierra College's Tutor Center. Although this

summer, I will be returning to China to see my parents whom I haven't seen in five years, I am also planning to use this time to study Korean by myself.

Receiving this scholarship will allow me to continue chasing my dreams. Your earnest investment in my future goals will not be forgotten. Thank you again for your generous and thoughtful gift.

-- Samar Crook

Dear Ms. Manning,

I am writing this letter to express my heartfelt gratitude for selecting me as a recipient of American Association of University Women Scholarship. I am truly honored and appreciative of your support, which will undoubtedly play a pivotal role in helping me achieve my educational and career goals.

Receiving this scholarship is not only a financial relief but also a tremendous encouragement for me to continue my academic journey with dedication and enthusiasm. Your generous contrition has lessened the financial burden on my shoulders and allowed me to focus more on my studies and personal growth. It's inspiring to see organizations like yours investing in the potential of struggling individuals and helping them pursue higher education.

I am excited about the opportunities that this scholarship will bring. With your support, I will be able to access resources, engage in extracurricular activities, and fully immerse myself in my chosen field of study. Your confidence in me motivates me to strive for excellence, not just in my academics but also as a responsible and contributing member of society.

I assure you that I will make the most of this opportunity and work hard to uphold the standards of excellence associated with the American Association of University Women. On day, I hope to give back to the community and help others aspiring students achieve their dreams, just as you have helped me.

Once again, thank you for believing in me and supporting my educational journey. Your generosity will forever be etched in my heart. I look forward to updating you on my progress and achievements along the way.

Things to Do



Book Banning and Curricula Censorship in California?

We're putting on our gloves. Not the ones Holly Golightly wore. No, our boxing gloves. AAUW is not going lightly into the fight against the book banning and censorship that are creeping into California's schools. Join us for the webinar *Book Banning and Curricula Censorship in California? AAUW California to the Rescue!* on September 21st, at 7:00 pm. Section is to be

recorded and posted on AAUW site. Hear from our own Public Policy’s School Board Project Committee and other heavyweight organizations about the scope of the problem and how you can help resist its appearance in your own school district. Register [HERE](#), then put up your dukes.

The Equal Rights Amendment!

Sometimes being 100 years old is good. Like for a Giant Sequoia or a fun grandma who knows how to text. It’s not good for the ERA. The Equal Rights Amendment which provides a constitutional guarantee that all men and women are truly equal under the law was introduced 100 years ago. It’s still waiting to be published as the 28th Amendment to the Constitution. Really? That’s even longer than standing in line for a Taylor Swift concert. Take action [HERE](#) and tell your elected officials to support the resolution to affirm the ERA. A fun grandma would.

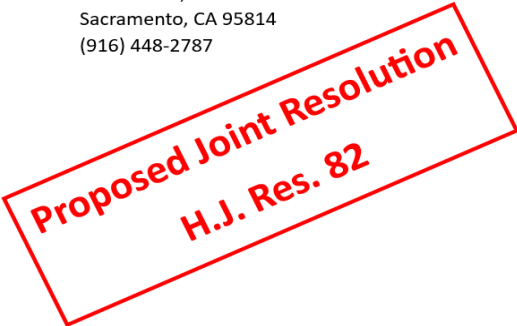


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Linking together for our mission.

Board meeting

Branch Board Meeting is the 2nd Monday of each month | 10 am Raley's O-N-E Market | 1970 Blue Oaks Blvd, Roseville, CA 95747. All members are welcome. Please send an email to the President if you plan to attend and if you have something to add to the meeting agenda.

For updates in real time, please visit our branch website at aauwrosevillesouthplacer.org